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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Insert the following paragraph after the title.

This application is a division of Application No. 09/265,670, filed March 10, 1999, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 7, line 3, with the following rewritten paragraph:

(iv) estimating the intensity of any secondary spot obtained in the chromatogram of the sample solution, which corresponds in Rf value to the reference marker, against the spot due to the reference marker in the chromatogram of the standard solution.

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